Committee on Equal Opportunities Council on Postsecondary Education April 20, 2009

Status: Kentucky Plan Support Programs

The following information focuses on The Kentucky Plan activities since the Committee on Equal Opportunities met February 2009.

SREB Doctoral Scholars Program: The Commonwealth has 16 applications from prospective scholars to fill two new scholarship slots and two new dissertation fellows' slots for fall 2009. The Council on Postsecondary Education, the University of Kentucky, and the University of Louisville are in the process of selecting scholars to participate in the Southern Regional Education Board Doctoral Scholars Program in academic year 2009-10. The specific areas of concentration supported by the program are science, mathematics, education (math or science), and engineering. As of October 2008, a total of 85 scholars have been served by the Commonwealth, including 38 graduates; a total of 47 students are currently matriculating. Kentucky postsecondary education employs 16 SREB graduates.

Governor's Minority Student College Preparation Program Annual Conference: Murray State University will host the 9TH Annual Statewide Conference of the Governor's Minority Student College Preparation Program. The conference is tentatively scheduled to be held on the Murray campus June 8-9, 2009. Approximately 200 middle and junior high school students are expected to participate. Conference planning is underway.

GMSCPP Academically Proficient African American High School Senior and Junior Conference: There are 180 students and parents registered to attend the 22ND Annual Academically Proficient African American High School Senior and Junior Conference hosted by the University of Kentucky. The conference is scheduled to be held June 12-13, 2009. The expected attendance for the conference is 300 students, parents, and college representatives. Student and parent notification and conference planning is underway.